GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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FLIGHTS FOR HAJ PILGRIMS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had made special provision for Haj pilgrims this year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of flights operated from all the airports for the Haj pilgrims in the country, airport-wise.

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The quota of pilgrims for Haj 2005 has been increased by 10,000. Guwahati and Aurangabad have been added as new embarkation points this year. The restrictions imposed for availing subsidy on air fare for Haj pilgrims last year have also been withdrawn from this year

(c): The number of flights operated from each port of embarkation in India are: Ahmedabad-14; Aurangabad-17; Bangalore-11; Calicut-34; Chennai-8; Delhi-50; Guwahati-14; Hyderabad-16; Jaipur-20; Kolkata-13; Lucknow-38; Mumbai-34; Nagpur-6; Patna-16 and Srinagar-44.